

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Sunday 24 Dec 2023 until 23:59 on Monday 25 Dec 2023

Forecast Issued on Sunday 24 Dec 2023 at 02:24

Confidence: High for cloud and rain on Sunday, and also a period of rain for much of Christmas Day. Also high for more benign conditions Monday, although only moderate for cloud amounts. Moderate for a wet morning, with a band of persistent rain and strong winds on Wednesday. Confidence becoming very low in detail by Thursday.

Headline for Sunday 24 Dec 2023: Cloudy, with rain and drizzle, clearing later. Rather windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 24 Dec 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Medium Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Light rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
70%	70%	70%	70%	30%	20%

Forecast for Sunday 24 Dec 2023

Weather: Overcast with outbreaks of rain and drizzle for much of the day, persistent across some western hills. Rain and drizzle gradually easing away south during the late afternoon and evening, perhaps turning heavy for a time as it does. Some clearer intervals follow.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: Near 0% for much of the day, becoming 40% from the north after dark

Low cloud and visibility: Cloud obscuring hills above 400m during the morning, with patches down to 200m in the west. Cloud breaking from the north later in the day, but patches still persisting around 500m. Poor to Moderate visibility beneath any cloud, with rain and drizzle. Improving to give some good to very good views as cloud breaks and clears through the afternoon.

Forecast for Sunday 24 Dec 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	31/39 SW	34/44 W	33/46 W	31/43 W	29/41 W	23/34 W	24/34 W
300	18/38 SW	22/43 W	22/44 W	21/41 W	18/38 W	15/31 W	15/30 W
Valley	16/36 W	19/41 W	20/42 W	19/40 W	17/37 W	13/29 W	14/30 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	9/5	9/4	9/4	9/4	8/3	7/2	7/2
300	11/7	10/7	10/7	11/7	10/7	9/6	9/6
Valley	11/8	11/8	11/7	11/8	11/7	10/7	9/6
Freezing Level*	2900m	2800m	2900m	2300m	1800m	1500m	1400m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Meteorologist's View

Windy at height, with gusts potentially reaching 50mph over highest routes. Despite mild temperatures at low levels, feeling much colder at height with the wind chill and rain. Warm waterproof layers essential, along with excellent navigation skills in poor visibility. Best views likely later in the day.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Sun 24 Dec 2023	15.4mm	17.2mm	20.4mm

Forecast for Monday 25 Dec 2023

Weather: Staying cloudy, and soon turning wet with persistent rain and drizzle spreading east through Christmas morning. Rain clearing through the afternoon. Turning cooler with clear spells and isolated showers.

Maximum wind: Southwest 25-30mph gusting 35-45mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 20%, becoming 90% during the late afternoon and evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud at 500m will obscure most hills through the morning, with patches down to 300m in the west. This lifting and clearing late afternoon and evening. Moderate to poor visibility in any rain and drizzle, otherwise good views of distant hills possible.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 8 rising to Plus 12 Celsius
At 600m: Plus 6 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits.